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CHAPTER 213

AN ACT to amend 43.17 (3) of the statutes, relating to the distribution of funds under the school library law in counties with population of 500,000 or more.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

43.17 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

43.17 (3) In any county having a population of 500,000 or more, the state superintendent may suspend the operation of the school library law in any * * * school district which has an enrollment of 500 or more pupils or city operating under the city school system whenever he is satisfied by evidence presented to him that there has been budgeted and will be expended during the current school year for the purchase of library books for children in the elementary grades by either * * * a municipal public library or the school board * * * in the school district or the area in the city school system, or by both agencies combined, a sum equal to the amount released by the suspension of the school library law. Such statement of budget and expenditures for library purposes shall, in addition, present evidence that the books are made available to all children. Whenever such suspension is granted by the state superintendent, he shall give notice to the parties concerned as outlined in sub. (2). Such suspension shall * * * continue until revoked in writing by the state superintendent, and may be renewed in the same manner as originally established.

Approved July 11, 1961.